

Senate Resolution 102 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 102

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1 A Resolution condemning the terrorist acts of al Qaeda
2 and the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria.

3 WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, acts of treacherous
4 violence were committed against the United States and
5 its citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, in light of the threat to the national
7 security and foreign policy of the United States
8 posed by these grave acts of violence committed by al
9 Qaeda members and sympathizers, and such acts continue
10 to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the
11 national security and foreign policy of the United
12 States; and

13 WHEREAS, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)
14 is a terrorist organization responsible for committing
15 barbaric acts against United States citizens and
16 others; and

17 WHEREAS, ISIS continues to hold hostages in blatant
18 contravention of international law; and

19 WHEREAS, ISIS has committed despicable acts of
20 violence against Iraqi Christians, forcing many to flee
21 their ancient homeland; and

22 WHEREAS, ISIS has committed despicable acts of
23 violence against Muslims who do not subscribe to ISIS's
24 depraved, violent, and oppressive ideology; and

25 WHEREAS, ISIS has threatened to decimate the ancient
26 Yazidi population of Iraq while abducting Yazidi
27 women and children and subjecting them to rape, forced

1 marriage, and slavery; and

2 WHEREAS, ISIS has targeted many other religious
3 and ethnic minority groups, including Turkmen
4 populations; and

5 WHEREAS, individuals affiliated with ISIS have
6 committed heinous and atrocious coordinated attacks
7 against civilians in Sousse, Tunisia, on June 26, 2015,
8 and in Paris, France, on November 13, 2015; and

9 WHEREAS, individuals affiliated with ISIS have
10 committed heinous and atrocious attacks here in the
11 United States, killing or injuring civilians, police
12 officers, and United States Marines in separate attacks
13 in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on July 16, 2015, in San
14 Bernardino, California, on December 2, 2015, and in
15 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on January 7, 2016; and

16 WHEREAS, ISIS and its affiliates threaten to
17 conduct other terrorist attacks domestically and
18 internationally; and

19 WHEREAS, such acts render it both necessary and
20 appropriate that the United States exercise its rights
21 to self-defense and to protect United States citizens
22 both at home and abroad; NOW THEREFORE,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Iowa Senate
24 respectfully calls on the federal government of the
25 United States to hunt down members and sympathizers of
26 al Qaeda and ISIS, and any of their affiliates, and to
27 do all things necessary to eradicate the threat they
28 pose to the national security and foreign policy of the
29 United States.